# **EXHIBIT 2**

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RODNEY JONES,

Plaintiff.

CASE NO.: 24-1457

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SEAN COMBS,
JUSTIN DIOR COMBS,
ETHIOPIA HABTEMARIAM,
LUCIAN CHARLES GRAINGE,
KRISTINA KHORRAM,
CHALICE RECORDING STUDIOS,
LOVE RECORDS,
MOTOWN RECORDS,
UNIVERSAL MUSIC GROUP,
COMBS GLOBAL ENTERPRISES,
JOHN and JANE DOES 1-10; and
ABC CORPORATIONS 1-10,

DECLARATION OF MARTHA
BRAITHWAITE IN SUPPORT OF
MOTION TO DISMISS OF
DEFENDANTS UNIVERSAL MUSIC
GROUP, MOTOWN RECORDS, SIR
LUCIAN GRAINGE AND ETHIOPIA
HABTEMARIAM

Defendants.

#### I, Martha Braithwaite, declare as follows:

1. During the time period applicable to the claims in this action, I was the Executive Vice President, Business Affairs for the Capitol Music Group, which is affiliated with UMG Recordings, Inc. ("UMG Recordings" incorrectly sued herein as "Universal Music Group"). As set forth in the accompanying declaration of Sir Lucian Grainge, UMG Recordings' Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, UMG Recordings is incorporated in the State of Delaware, with its principal operating offices in Santa Monica, California. UMG Recordings is the principal legal entity for all recorded music operations in the United States for the global music and entertainment company colloquially known as "Universal Music Group." I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this Declaration and if called and sworn as a witness, I could and would competently testify thereto.

- 2. I am advised that the Plaintiff in this action has claimed that Motown Records is the "parent company" of Love Records, Inc. This is entirely inaccurate. During the relevant timeframe, I was the executive responsible for handling all of the business and legal affairs for Motown Records. Motown Records is not a separate legal entity, but a record label that is an unincorporated division of UMG Recordings. Neither Motown Records nor any of UMG Recordings' subsidiaries or affiliates has any ownership interest in Love Records, Inc. To the contrary, Love Records, Inc. is a company associated with Sean Combs (and I believe owned by him, directly or indirectly). I know this because I negotiated and executed an arm's length license agreement, for a limited term, on behalf of Motown Records with Love Records, Inc. in May 2022. Love Records, Inc. was represented by Kenneth Meiselas, who I am aware has been Sean Combs' long-time transactional counsel. I am attaching a redacted copy of that license agreement hereto as Exhibit A.!
- 3. Subsequent to executing the license agreement, Motown Records and Mr. Combs decided that Motown Records would not release and distribute the album that Mr. Combs had created. Accordingly, I negotiated and executed a separate document that terminated the license agreement, effective as of February 1, 2023, on behalf of Motown Records. Under the termination agreement, Motown assigned back to Love Records, Inc., on a quitclaim basis, all of Motown Records rights as a licensee in the recordings. Accordingly, the termination agreement ended any relationship between Love Records, Inc. and Mr. Combs on the one hand, and UMG

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The reason I have redacted the license agreement is because most of its terms and conditions have nothing to do with this action. Rather, the main provisions that relate to this action are those that address the license, the advance/recording costs and the representations and warranties, all of which I have not redacted.

Recordings on the other hand, and Mr. Combs' company, Love Records, Inc. released the album independently.

- 4. I understand that the Eighth Cause of Action of the Amended Complaint, consistent with the factually false narrative about Motown Records being the parent company of Love Records, Inc., alleges that Motown Records and/or UMG Recordings were responsible for the security at Chalice Studios at which there was allegedly a shooting (and that the security provided was allegedly inadequate).
- 5. I can confirm that neither Motown Records nor UMG Recordings were invoiced for and did not pay for security at Chalice Records. Love Records, not Motown Records or UMG Recordings, was responsible for security at any Love Recordings' writers' camp or recording session at Chalice Studios (or anywhere else for that matter).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: March 35, 2024

Martha Braithwaite

# **EXHIBIT A**

### EXCLUSIVE RECORDING AGREEMENT

This exclusive recording agreement ("Agreement")

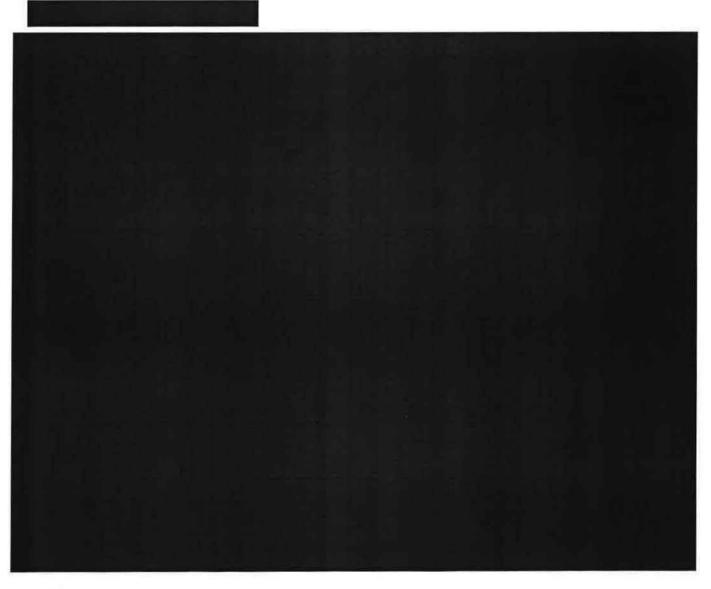
is dated as of \_\_\_\_\_ May 4\_, 2022 and is by and between

Motown Records, a division of UMG Recordings, Inc., 1750 North Vine Street, Hollywood, California 90028 ("Motown"),

-and-

Love Records, Inc. c/o Tri Star Sports & Entertainment Group, 9255 Sunset Blvd., 2d Floor, W. Hollywood, CA 90069, Attn. Lou Taylor ("you").

Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings assigned or referred to on **Exhibit**B. Rules of interpretation for this Agreement are set forth in paragraph 16.13.



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#### 1. <u>SERVICES</u>

- 1.01 (a) During the Term, you shall furnish to Motown the non-exclusive services of Sean Love Combs, individually and professionally known as "Diddy" ("Artist") in the Territory solely with respect to the Commitment Album, including the non-exclusive right to record Artist's Performances in connection with the Commitment Album. You shall, and shall cause Artist to, render all services hereunder to the best of your and Artist's respective abilities, in accordance with first-class standards of performance for the production of Recordings in the recording industry and in compliance with the terms hereof.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to contrary contained herein, during the Term, neither you nor Artist shall, at any time, release or otherwise exploit (or authorize or permit any Person to release or otherwise exploit) another EP, Album or so-called "mixtape" ("Project") principally featuring the Performances of Artist (i.e., a Project by Artist or where Artist is designated as a so-called "main" or "primary artist" on the Project) or another similarly titled or branded Project (e.g., "Off The Grid 2" or "Love Album 2", depending on the final title of the Commitment Album) (such Projects, "Artist Projects"). For the avoidance of doubt, Artist Projects does not include a Project principally featuring Performances of another artist signed to you, produced by Artist and/or individual Recordings embodying Artist's Performances as a side artist (even if designated as a "primary artist") in connection with such Recording.

#### 1.02 Intentionally omitted.

1.03 Neither you nor Artist shall, at any time, do (or authorize or permit any Person to do) anything inconsistent with, or that might diminish, impair or interfere with, any of Motown's rights or the full and prompt performance of your obligations hereunder. Without limitation of the foregoing, except as otherwise permitted herein, neither you nor Artist shall: (a) authorize or permit the exploitation of Artist Projects during the Term and anywhere in the Territory by any Person other than Motown for any purpose (and shall take reasonable measures to prevent the same); (b) authorize or permit any Person other than Motown to manufacture, distribute, sell, market, promote or otherwise exploit Recordings delivered to Motown and released by Motown hereunder as part of the Commitment Album or in connection therewith during the License Period and anywhere in the Territory (and shall take reasonable measures to prevent the same), unless otherwise agreed to in writing and in advance by the parties hereto (e.g., as part of a label waiver or third-party clearance (such approved exploitations, "Reciprocal Uses")); or (c) during the License Period and throughout the Territory, use, or authorize or permit any Person other than Motown to use your or Artist's names, likenesses (including any picture, portrait or caricature) or biography in connection with the sale or other exploitation of Recordings or Records delivered to Motown and released by Motown hereunder as part of the Commitment Album or in connection therewith, unless otherwise agreed to in writing and in advance by the parties (including in connection with Reciprocal Uses). If you or Artist becomes aware of any unauthorized recording, manufacture, distribution, sale, use or other activity by any Person contrary to the restrictions herein, you shall notify Motown of such activity and cooperate with Motown in any action, proceeding or other efforts Motown commences against such Person.

#### 2. **TERM**

- 2.01 The term of this Agreement will consist of an initial contract period ("Term"). (The Initial Period is sometimes referred to as a "Contract Period.") The Initial Period starts on the date first set forth above and will continue, unless extended as provided herein, until the last day of the 9th full calendar month following the month in which the initial commercial release in the US (i.e., the US retail street date) of the Commitment Album Delivered by you occurs.
  - 2.02 [Intentionally omitted].

#### 3. RECORDING COMMITMENT AND DELIVERY OBLIGATIONS

- 3.01 During the Term, you shall Deliver to Motown a sufficient number of newly recorded audioonly Subject Recordings to fulfill your Recording Commitment that are technically satisfactory to Motown in its good faith discretion for the production, sale and other exploitation of Records (each, a "Commitment Subject Recording"). No Multiple Albums, "live" or "in concert"-type Recordings, or "cover" Recordings will apply toward your Recording Commitment without Motown's written consent (which Motown may withhold for any reason), and Motown will not be required to make any payments in connection with any such Recordings (except for any royalties payable hereunder if Motown Exploits any such Recordings).
- 3.02 (a) During the Term, you shall Deliver to Motown a sufficient number of Commitment Subject Recordings (that satisfy the requirements of paragraph 3.01) for one Album, it being understood that such Commitment Subject Recordings shall be curated by Artist and principally feature the performances of other recordings artists (such artists, "Featured Artists") (but which may include Artist's services as a performer, producer and/or songwriter). The Album to be recorded and/or Delivered as part of your Recording Commitment is sometimes referred to herein as a "Commitment Album" and is tentatively titled "The Love Album". Notwithstanding the foregoing, subject to your and Motown's prior written approval, in lieu of Delivering an Album, for the purposes of satisfying your obligations under this paragraph 3.02, you may instead elect to Deliver to Motown at least 10 Commitment Subject Recordings, which may be released individually or collectively as Singles and/or EPs.
- (b) Simultaneously with the Delivery of the Commitment Album (or on such other date mutually approved in writing by you and Motown), you may (but shall not be obligated to) Deliver to Motown additional Subject Recordings for use by Motown in connection with the applicable Commitment Album (e.g., retail exclusives, international versions, "deluxe" Albums) ("Other Commitment Subject Recordings"). All costs of recording the Other Commitment Subject Recordings will constitute Recording Costs incurred in connection with the Commitment Album concerned, and Motown shall pay such costs pursuant to an Authorized Budget for such Subject Recordings and may deduct such costs from the Recording Fund for such Commitment Album. No additional Advances will be payable to you or Artist in connection with the Other Commitment Subject Recordings.
- (c) The Commitment Album(s) and the Other Commitment Subject Recordings for each Contract Period are sometimes collectively referred to herein as your "Recording Commitment." If Motown accepts a Multiple Album in satisfaction of your Recording Commitment, such Multiple Album will count as only one (1) Album for purposes of the Recording Commitment and the computation of the applicable Recording Fund or Advance. For purposes of fulfilling the Recording Commitment in any Contract Period, separate Recordings of the same Composition will be deemed to collectively constitute one Track.
- 3.03 You shall Deliver to Motown the Commitment Album by a mutually designated date based on the commercial release date designated by you (in consultation with Motown) for such Commitment Album.

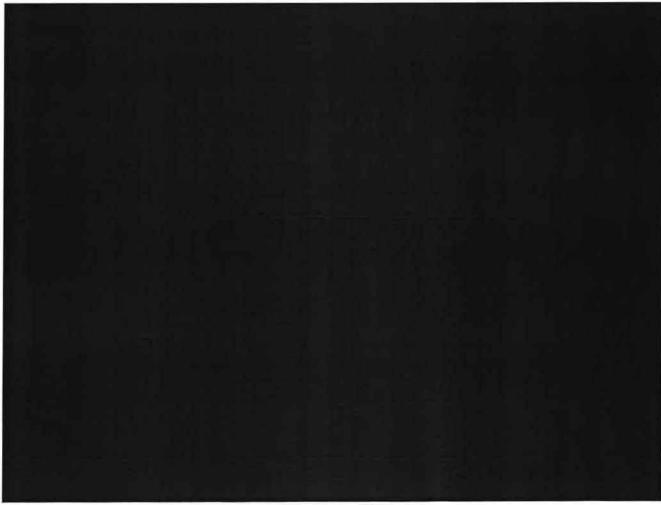
- 3.04 In connection with each Subject Recording and Album that you are required to Deliver hereunder, unless you and Motown otherwise approve in writing, you shall deliver to Motown all of the Recordings, documents, materials and information set forth on **Exhibit C**, in accordance with the terms set forth in Exhibit C (collectively, "**Delivery Elements**"). Motown may revise the Delivery Elements at any time (e.g., in order to conform to technological or commercial changes in the recording industry) by providing you with an updated version of Exhibit C. Without limiting or relieving you from your obligations, Motown will use commercially reasonable efforts to provide administrative assistance with respect to certain items on Exhibit C (e.g., sample clearances, mechanical licenses, label waivers, union matters, etc).
- 3.05 Without limitation of any of Motown's rights or remedies hereunder, if you fail to timely Deliver any Commitment Album or Subject Recordings (unless (a) caused solely by either a Force Majeure Event or by Motown's wrongful acts or omissions or (b) approved in writing by Motown, provided that Motown's payment of (or agreement to pay) such excess shall not be deemed approval by Motown), and Motown pays or incurs any expenses by reason thereof, such amounts will constitute Overages. Motown's election to make a payment to you that is due upon Delivery of such Commitment Album or to release any Record derived from such Album or Subject Recordings will not constitute an acknowledgment that such "Delivery" was properly made, and Motown will not be deemed to have waived either its right to require complete and proper Delivery or its remedies for your failure to do so.
- Recording or other Basic Work that: (a) Motown reasonably believes is patently offensive to reasonable standards of public taste, contains an obscenity, violates any Law, infringes or violates the rights of any Person, or may subject Motown to (i) regulatory action, (ii) scrutiny from a governmental organization or body or (iii) Losses; or (b) includes an endorsement or commercial tie-in that was not pre-approved by Motown in writing (provided that Motown shall not unreasonably withhold such approval, and provided further that references to DeLeón and Cîroc are hereby pre-approved by Motown as long as such references do not conflict with any third-party guidelines, rules or restrictions imposed on Motown or otherwise hinder Motown's ability to exploit or fully monetize such Basic Works in accordance with the terms of this agreement (including without limitation, standard monetization of any AV Recordings on YouTube). For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, Motown shall have no obligation to approve any endorsement or commercial tie-in that Motown reasonably believes, in its good faith business judgment, would cause a Basic Work to be "demonetized", blocked or otherwise negatively targeted by a third-party digital service provider.

#### 4. RECORDING PROCEDURES

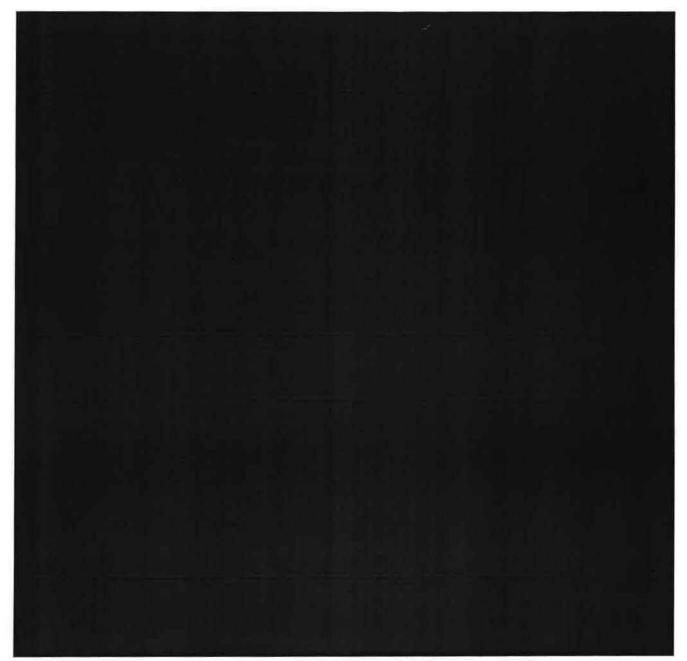
- designate each of the following elements in meaningful consultation with Motown (collectively, "Recording Elements"): (a) the individual producer; (b) engineer/mixers(s); (c) musicians and vocalists; (d) the dates and places of recording; and (e) the Compositions to be recorded; provided that your decision shall control in the event of a dispute. For the avoidance of doubt, your failure to consult with Motown in connection with Subject Recordings recorded prior to the Term shall not be deemed a breach hereof and your inadvertent failure to consult with Motown in connection with Subject Recordings recorded during the Term shall not be deemed a breach hereof. Subject to the terms of this Article 4, you shall engage all artists, producers, musicians and other personnel (collectively, "Production Personnel") for all recording sessions hereunder and, unless you request for Motown to handle, you shall handle all scheduling and booking of all studio time during the Term. Motown's representatives may attend any recording sessions hereunder at Motown's non-recoupable expense.
- 4.02 (a) You shall submit to Motown for its approval a written budget listing all Recording Costs to be incurred by Motown in connection with such Commitment Album and its Other Commitment Subject Recordings (such approved budget, the "Authorized Budget"); provided that Motown will not

withhold its approval if the Authorized Budget does not exceed the then-current balance of the applicable Recording Fund.

(b) Unless the parties otherwise agree in writing and in advance, Motown shall administer the Authorized Budget and shall pay Recording Costs for the production of Subject Recordings under your Recording Commitment in an amount not to exceed the Authorized Budget therefor (it being understood that you previously incurred or paid certain actual, third-party and bona fide Recording Costs in connection with the Commitment Album and Motown is reimbursing you for such Recording Costs under paragraph 7.02(a) (such costs to be reimbursed, "Prior Album Costs" and such reimbursement, the "Recording Cost Reimbursement"). Following the execution hereof, you shall submit to Motown a summary of the Prior Album Costs for Motown's records (e.g., to ensure there is no double payment). Without limiting Motown's other rights or remedies, if it reasonably appears to Motown that the Recording Costs for any Subject Recordings will exceed the Authorized Budget therefor, or that the Subject Recordings being produced will not conform to the requirements set forth herein, Motown may immediately cease advancing Recording Costs unless you establish to Motown's reasonable satisfaction that: (i) you can and will pay or reimburse Motown for any Recording Costs in excess of the Authorized Budget, or (ii) the Subject Recordings being produced will conform to the requirements set forth herein, as applicable. If Motown advances any excess Recording Costs under this paragraph 4.02(b) (excluding excess Recording Costs (i) caused solely by either a Force Majeure Event or Motown's wrongful acts or omissions or (ii) approved in writing by Motown, provided that Motown's payment of (or agreement to pay) such excess shall not be deemed approval by Motown), such amounts will constitute Overages.



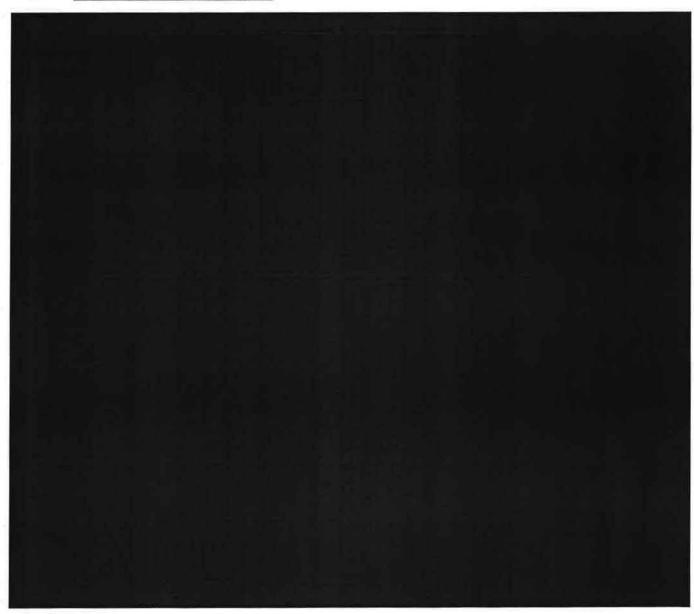
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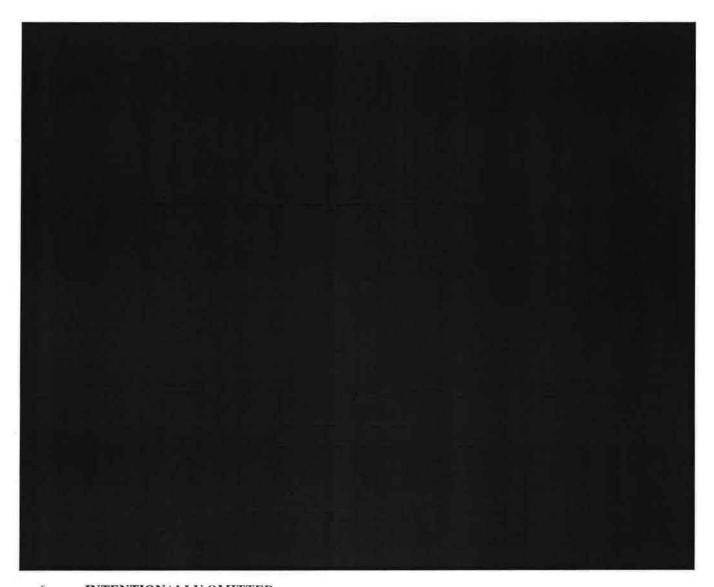
- 4.04 (a) Subject to the terms of this Article 4, you shall engage each producer pursuant to a written producer agreement containing material terms approved by Motown (not to be unreasonably withheld), and you will be solely responsible for the negotiation, drafting and execution of each producer agreement. Except as set forth in paragraph 4.04(b), you will be solely responsible for and shall pay all royalties and other compensation that may be payable to any producers of Subject Recordings or other similar royalty participants that render services in connection with the production of Subject Recordings hereunder.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in paragraph 4.04(a), if, as an accommodation to you, you desire that Motown pay any advances, fees or royalties to any producer or other third-party royalty participant on your behalf, you shall deliver to Motown a fully executed "letter of direction" ("LOD") substantially similar to the form of Exhibit E, unless Motown otherwise agrees in writing. If Motown makes any such payments prior to the receipt of such letter of direction, they will be deemed made pursuant to the terms set forth on Exhibit E, unless Motown otherwise agrees in writing. For the avoidance of doubt and

without limitation of the foregoing set forth above in this paragraph 4.04(b), Motown shall be under no obligation to accept any LOD which has not been delivered to Motown within twenty-four (24) months following the initial commercial release of the Subject Recording(s) concerned. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this paragraph 4.04(b), but subject to the immediately preceding sentence, Motown shall not reject an LOD with respect to a producer or other third-party royalty participant provided that (i) such party's services are embodied on a Basic Work Exploited by Motown hereunder, (ii) the fees and royalties payable to such third party were previously approved in writing by Motown (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld and provided that an aggregate all-in royalty rate of 20% payable to all third-parties in connection with a given Subject Recording is hereby pre-approved), and (iii) you have delivered a fully executed agreement with respect to such third party that contains the standard terms and conditions necessary for Motown to exercise its rights hereunder (including all exploitation rights contemplated herein with respect to all Basic Works and the marketing and promotion thereof, it being understood that such agreements may include standard restrictions (e.g., approval of name and likeness, etc.)).

#### 5. ARTWORK AND PACKAGING



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#### 6. **INTENTIONALLY OMITTED**

### 7. CERTAIN DEDUCTIONS AND ADVANCES

7.01 With respect to the Commitment Album, the "Recording Fund" will be equal to Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000).

7.02

- (a) Promptly following full execution of this Agreement, from the Recording Fund for the Commitment Album, Motown shall pay you an amount equal to One Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,300,000) as the Recording Cost Reimbursement (which shall be deemed a Deduction hereunder); and
- (b) Conditioned upon the full performance of your then-current, material obligations hereunder, Motown shall pay you the following monies:
- (i) If you Deliver the Commitment Album prior to Motown's commercial release thereof, then in connection with your Delivery thereof, promptly following the Delivery of that Album or, if later,

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promptly following Motown's final determination of the Recording Costs for that Album, an Advance from the Recording Fund for that Album in the amount, if any, by which the applicable Recording Fund exceeds the Recording Costs for that Album, less the amount payable to you under paragraph 7.02(a).

- (ii) If Motown commercially releases the Commitment Album prior to your Delivery thereof:
- (A) Promptly following the commercial release by Motown of that Album, a payment from the Recording Fund for that Album in the amount, if any, by which the applicable Recording Fund exceeds the Recording Costs for that Album, less (A) the amount payable to you under paragraph 7.02(a), and (B) the Delivery Reserve. The "Delivery Reserve" shall be an amount equal to the aggregate amount of outstanding Recording Costs for the Commitment Album at the time such Album is commercially released, which Motown shall use commercially reasonable efforts to determine in good faith promptly after the release of such Album.
- (B) Promptly following your Delivery of each Commitment Album, or if later, promptly following Motown's final determination of the Recording Costs for that Album, a payment from the Recording Fund for that Album in the amount, if any, by which the applicable Recording Fund exceeds the Recording Costs for that Album, less the amount payable to you under paragraph 7.02(a) and the Advance payable to you under paragraph 7.02(b)(ii)(A).



- 7.03 If the Recording Costs and other Advances paid or reimbursed by Motown for any Recording in fulfillment of your Recording Commitment exceed the applicable Recording Fund designated under this Article 7, such amounts will constitute Overages, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by Motown (or if due to Force Majeure Event or Motown's wrongful acts or omissions).
- 7.04 In addition to those Advances set forth in paragraph 7.02(b), 7.02(c) and 7.03, the following costs paid or incurred by Motown or an Affiliate/Principal Licensee will constitute Advances: (a) all costs incurred with your prior written consent in connection with Artist's professional development activities (including vocal coaching, acting lessons, choreography lessons, personal trainers, cosmetic dental work) or articles of dress or styling for Artist (provided that Motown shall have no obligation hereunder to incur such costs, and provided further that if you request or approve such activities or articles of dress or styling, then the related costs shall be deemed approved for the purposes hereof); (b) [intentionally omitted].

7.05 Upon your written request and delivery to Motown of the necessary documentation (as determined by Motown in its sole, good-faith business judgment), solely as an accommodation to you, Motown shall pay all "per record" royalties and union scale payments required to be paid to Artist or third parties in connection with Subject Recordings commercially released hereunder; provided that the foregoing will not relieve you of your responsibility for making such payments. All payments made by Motown at your request will constitute Deductions for purposes hereof, and Motown will have no liability by reason of any erroneous payment or failure to comply with such authorization. You shall indemnify and hold Motown harmless (in accordance with the terms of paragraph 15.07) against any claims asserted against any of the Motown Indemnified Parties, and any damages, losses or expenses any of the Motown Indemnified Parties incur, by reason of any such payment or otherwise in connection with such authorization.

#### 8. RIGHTS

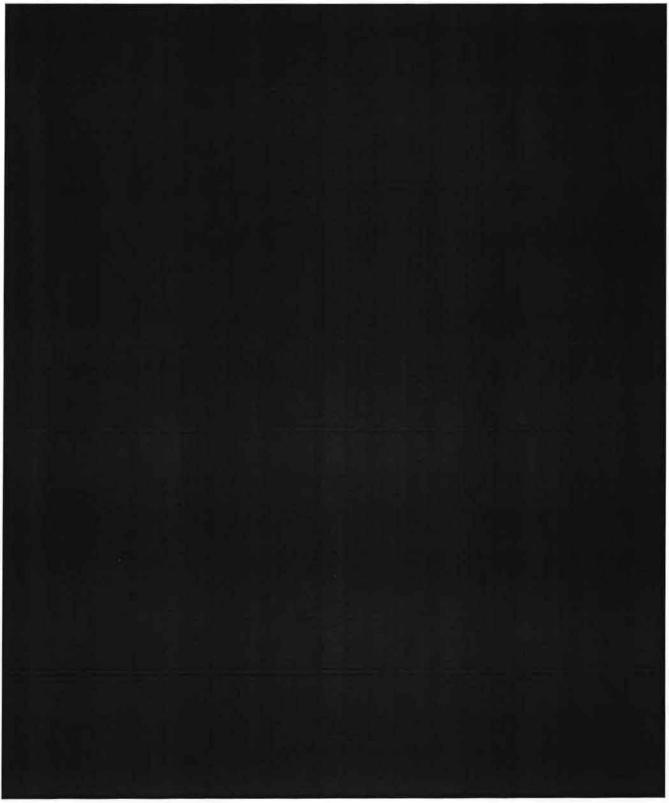
- 8.01 As between Motown and you, you are the sole, exclusive and perpetual owner of all Basic Works (including all copyrights thereto) hereunder. Motown is the sole, exclusive licensee, solely during the License Period and throughout the Territory of all Basic Works (excluding the copyright in any Compositions contained therein) from the inception of the creation thereof, free of any claims whatsoever by you, Artist, or any other Person. You hereby grant Motown, during the License Period and throughout the Territory, a license to all right and interest in: (i) the copyrights to the Basic Works and all renewals and extensions thereof (including all rights of the owner of copyright specified in §106 of the US Copyright Act and under the Laws of any foreign state, territory or country); (ii) all rights of use and control of the Basic Works; and (iii) any reproductions or copies made thereof. You and Artist agree that, for purposes of copyright law and as between the parties hereto, each Basic Work, from inception of creation, will be deemed a work exclusively licensed to Motown during the License Period by you, Artist and all other Persons rendering services in connection with such Basic Work. You and Artist shall, upon Motown's reasonable request, cause to be executed and delivered to Motown any documents that Motown deems necessary or appropriate to vest in Motown the rights granted to Motown herein, and you and Artist irrevocably appoint Motown as your limited attomey-in-fact for the sole, limited purpose of executing such documents in your names. Motown shall give you five (5) business days' notice before signing any document in your name, provided Motown may dispense with that waiting period when necessary, in Motown's reasonable business judgment, to protect or enforce Motown's rights. As a non-material obligation hereunder, Motown shall provide you with copies of documents signed by Motown in your or Artist's name. In accordance with the foregoing, Motown may record Motown's exclusive license in the Basic Works with the appropriate Copyright Office or register the copyright in each Subject Recording on your behalf in your name, subject to the terms of this paragraph 8.01. You and Artist waive all moral rights (or equivalent thereof) available to you in connection with each Basic Work and all Controlled Compositions hereunder. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, during the six-month period immediately following the License Period ("Sell-Off Period"), Motown may continue to non-exclusively Exploit Physical Records embodying Subject Recordings in accordance with the terms hereof. Motown shall not: (A) manufacture excessive copies of Physical Records embodying Subject Recordings in anticipation of the end of the License Period; or (B) manufacture additional Physical Records embodying Subject Recordings during the Sell-Off Period. With respect to Licensing Exploitations authorized during the License Period, Motown may continue to Exploit such Subject Recordings via such authorized uses and the terms contained therein.
- (b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, during the License Period and throughout the Territory, Motown will have the exclusive right to (i) create, reproduce, manufacture, sell, distribute, advertise, license, publicly perform, synchronize with any medium (including motion pictures, commercials and video games), compile and recompile, remix, edit or adapt, exhibit, publicly display or otherwise exploit the Basic Works, and Records and Reproductions containing Basic Works, by any method, or in any media, now or hereafter known or developed, under any trademarks, trade names or labels, for any purposes, and (ii) lease, license, convey or otherwise use or dispose of any Basic Works, by any method, or in any field of use, now or hereafter known or developed, on any terms Motown approves; or Motown may

delay or refrain from doing any of the foregoing. Motown or its designee may include on any Basic Work all such trademarks, trade names, information, logos and other items, as Motown customarily includes on such types of works, including, as applicable, Internet Addresses, watermarks, metadata, and hyperlinks to Internet Addresses.

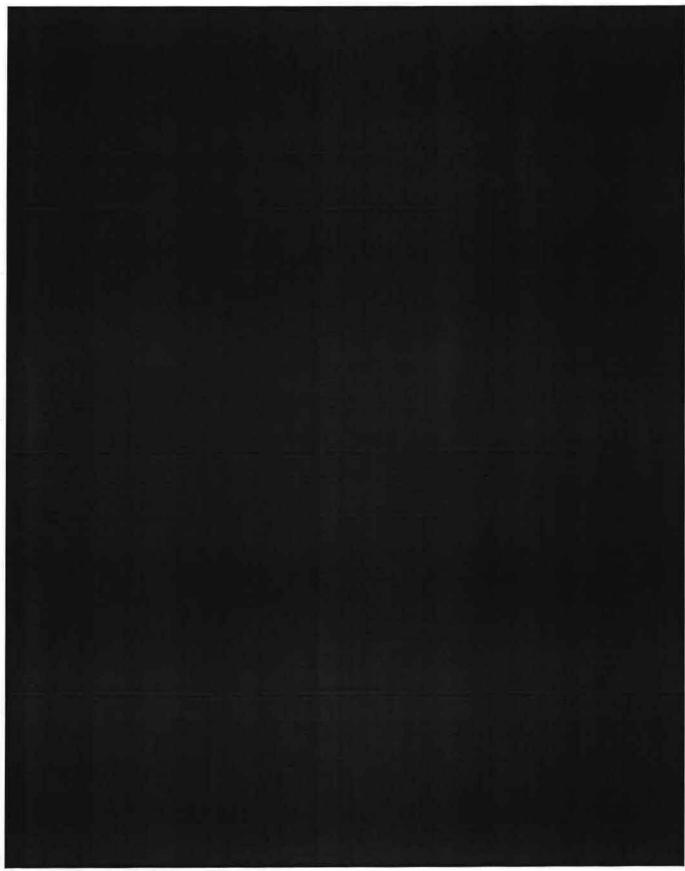


- 8.02 (a) During the License Period, Motown has the right to reproduce, print, publish or disseminate in any medium the approved names (both legal and professional, whether presently or hereafter used), approved likenesses, approved autographs (including facsimile signatures), and approved biographies of you, Artist, the individual producer and all other Persons performing services in respect of the Basic Works (to the extent permissible pursuant to the applicable agreements with such producers or other Persons, and solely to the extent that you advise Motown in advance in writing of any applicable restrictions or provide the applicable agreements or label waivers to Motown) for all purposes of trade, advertising, promotion and the general goodwill of Motown and Affiliate/Principal Licensees. Motown's rights under this paragraph 8.02(a) are (i) exclusive during the License Period with respect to Basic Works and (ii) non-exclusive during the License Period in all other respects.
- (b) During the Term, you shall designate the professional name to be used by Artist for the purposes of this Agreement (including for the Exploitation, marketing and promotion of the Commitment Album and other Basic Works as set forth herein (such purposes, "Motown Album Purposes")), provided that following Motown's approved release of the first Subject Recording hereunder, neither you nor Artist shall use a different professional name for the Motown Album Purposes unless you and Motown agree in writing.
- (c) (i) Any and all pictures of Artist or biographical material about Artist or any side artist or producer which Motown proposes to use hereunder shall be subject to your prior written approval, including for packaging, advertising or publicity of the Commitment Album (and related release) hereunder. Motown will not use any such material unless you approve such material in writing (such approval not to be unreasonably delayed or withheld). In any event, Motown will not be required to incur expenses beyond those customary for a compilation-like Album such as the Commitment Album hereunder. This paragraph 8.02(c) will not apply to any material previously approved by you or used by Motown for the use concerned. You may submit photographs, likenesses and biographical material of Artist for a particular

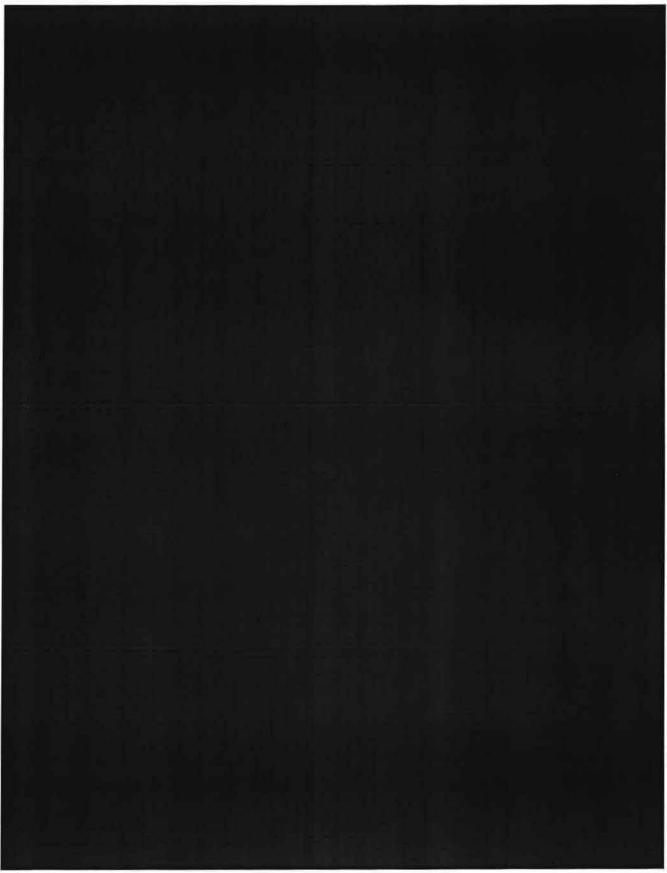
use and your submission of same will constitute your approval thereof for such use, provided that your approval of a given photograph, likeness or biographical material hereunder shall not limit your other approval rights as set forth in this Agreement.



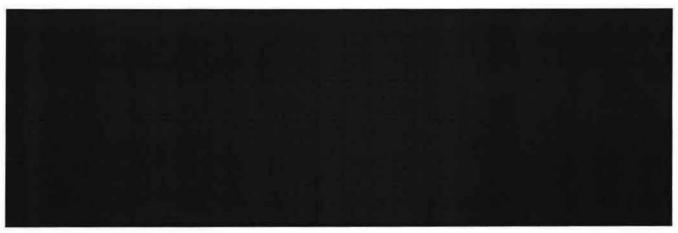
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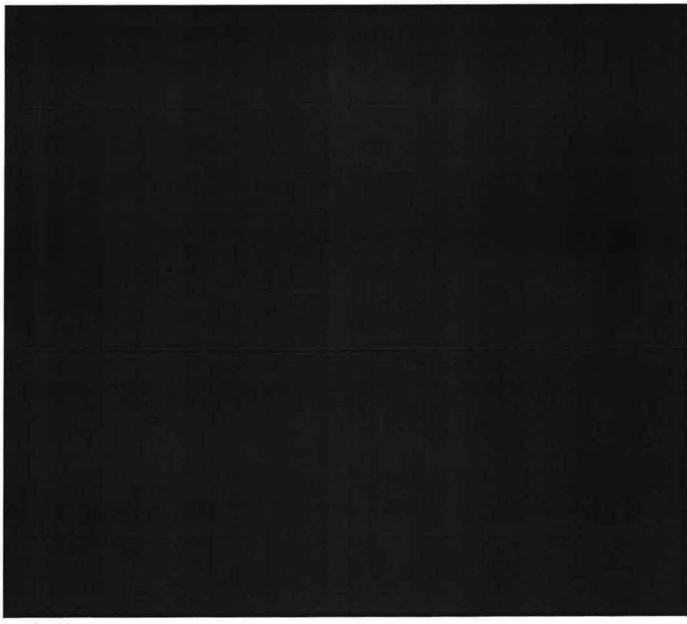
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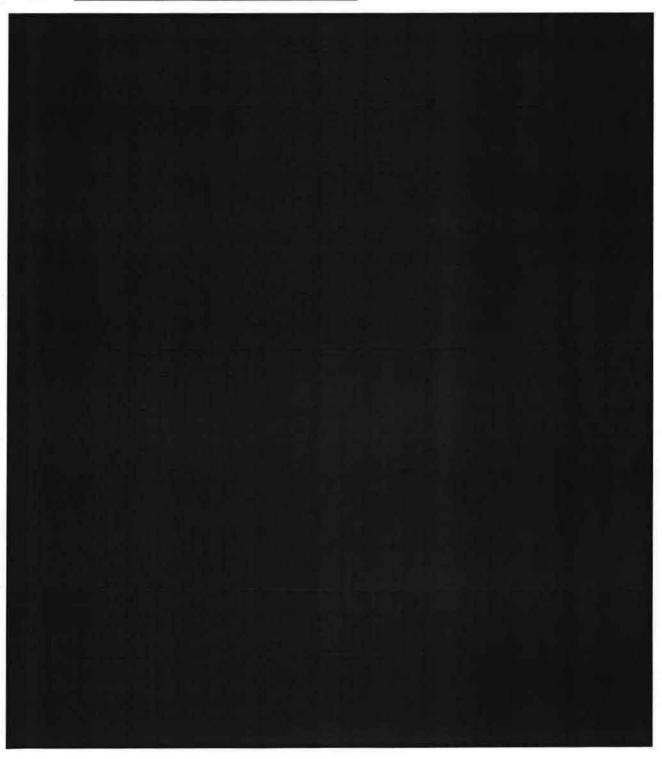
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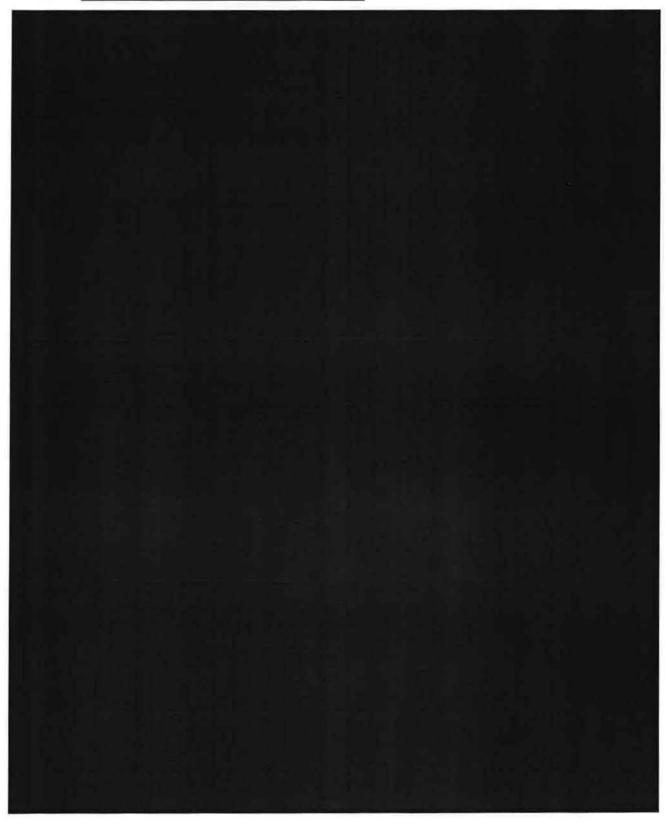


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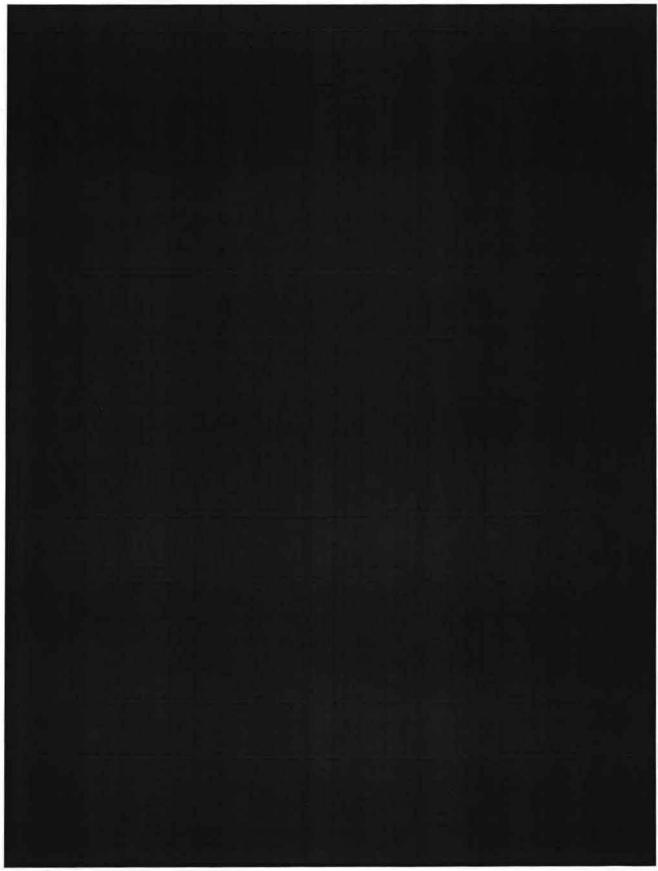
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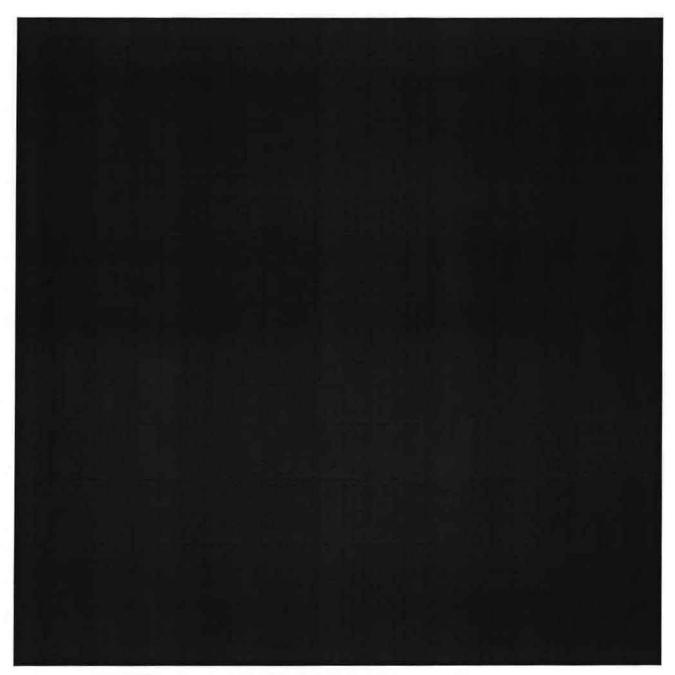
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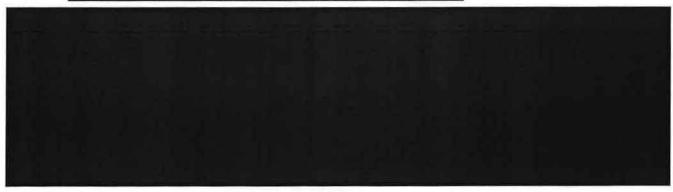
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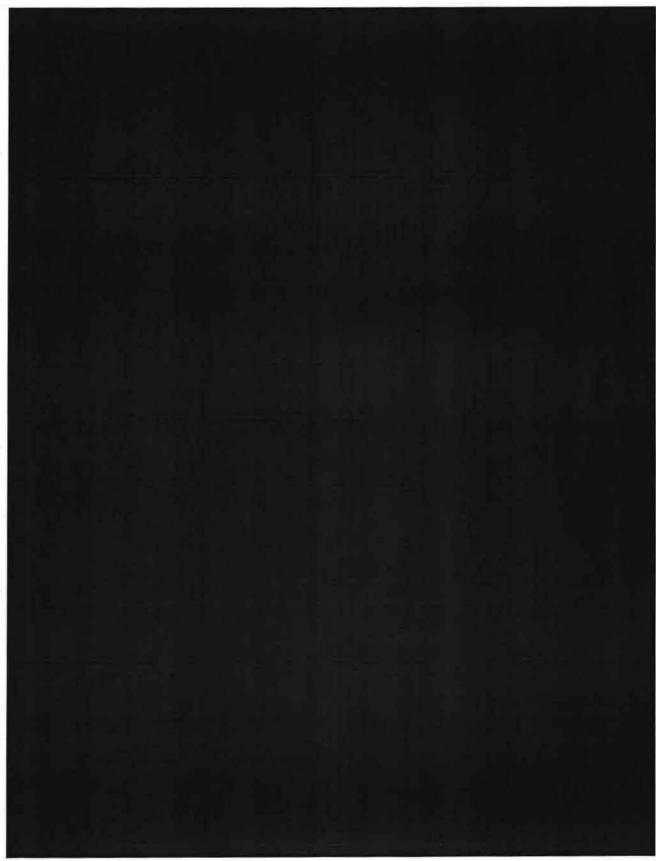
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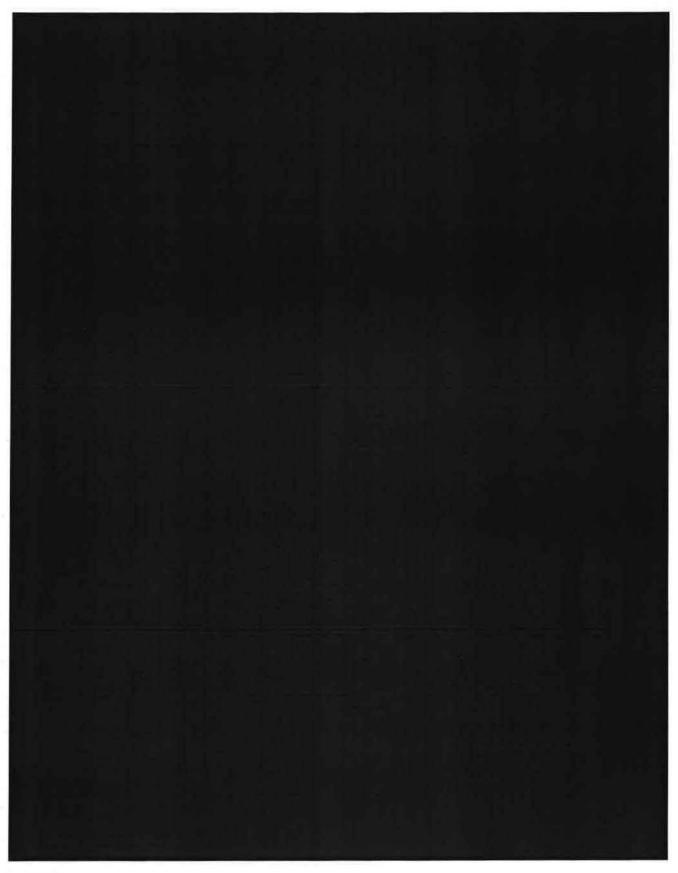
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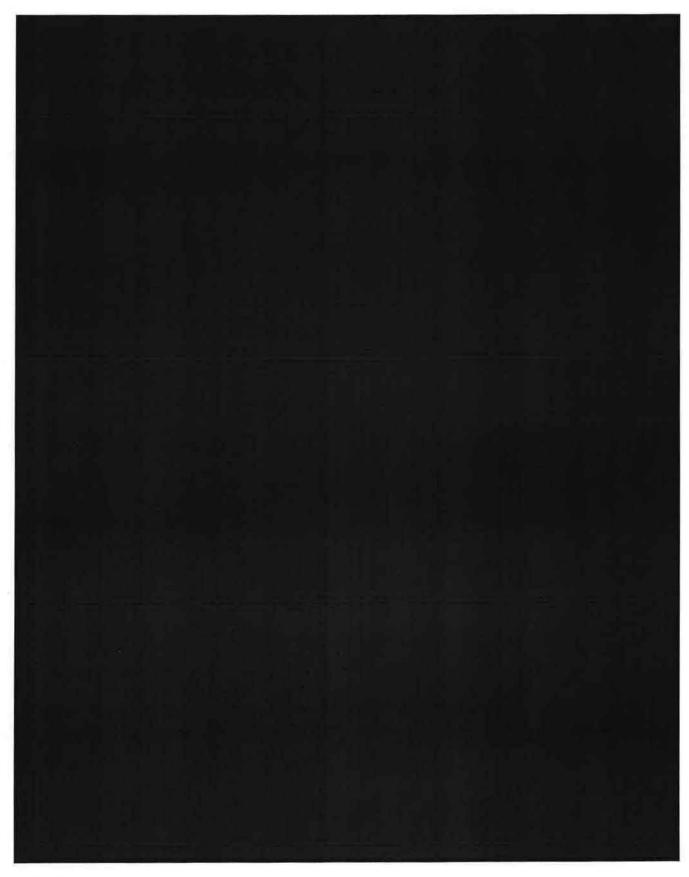
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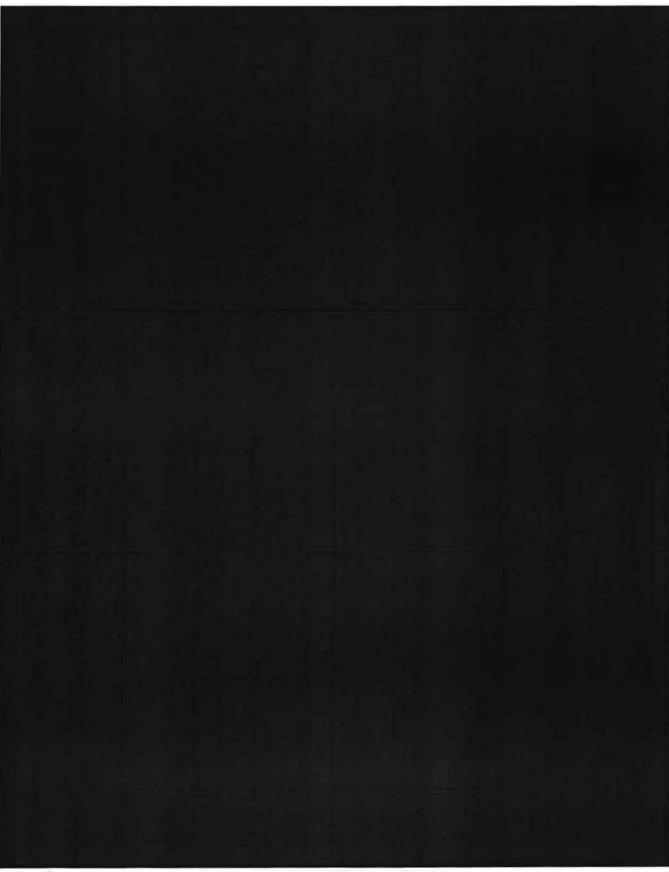
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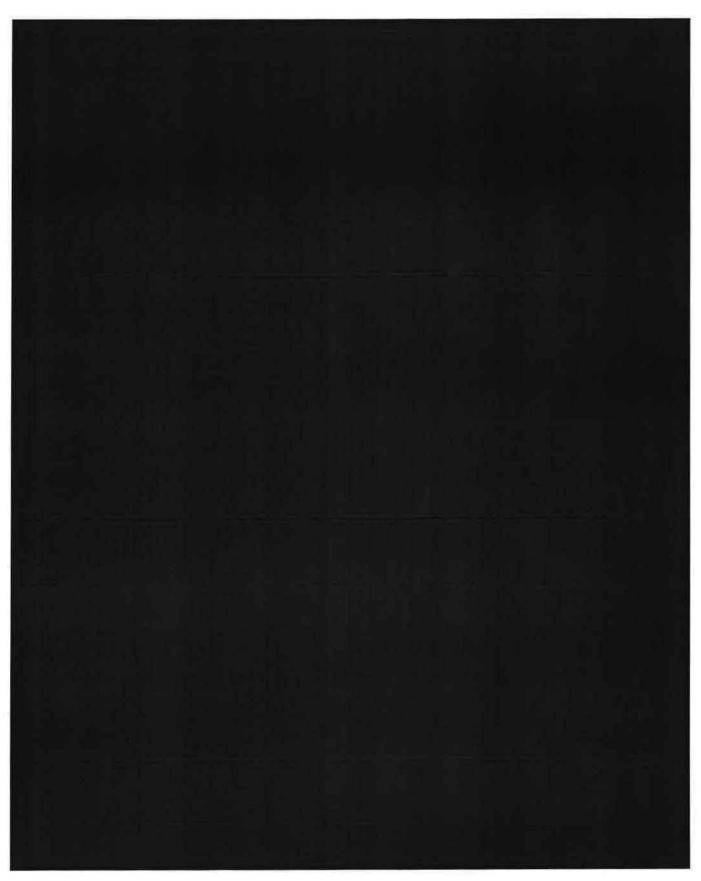
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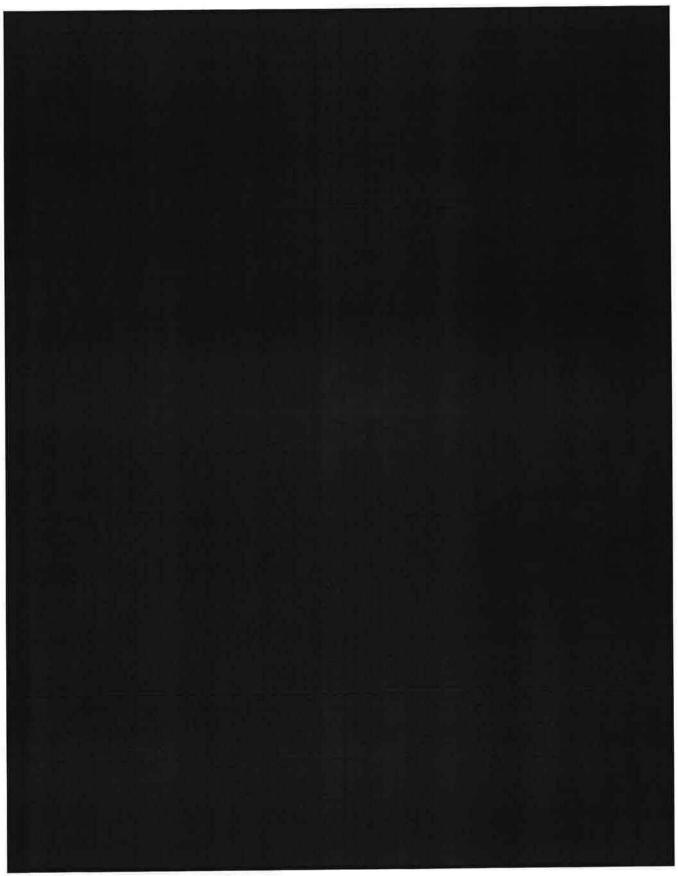
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#### 13. REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND CERTAIN COVENANTS

You represent, warrant and covenant to Motown as follows:

- 13.01 You have the right, power, authority and capacity to execute and deliver this Agreement, to grant Motown the rights set forth herein and to perform fully hereunder, without the consent or approval of any other Person. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by you, and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation on your part, enforceable in accordance with its terms.
- 13.02 Neither this Agreement nor the fulfillment hereof by any party infringes upon the rights of any Person or violates any Laws, and you have no knowledge of any claim or potential claim that may interfere with Motown's exercise of its rights hereunder or create any liability on the part of Motown. Without limitation of the foregoing: (a) each Person who renders any services in connection with the creation of the Basic Works has the right to render such services, without any legal or contractual restrictions, and has or will grant you and Motown all of the rights referred to herein, without any restrictions (subject to restrictions in the label waivers for the applicable Featured Artists or standard approvals in Featured Artist and producer agreements); (b) none of the Basic Works or any other Materials created or provided by you or Artist, or any authorized use of the foregoing by Motown or Affiliate/Principal Licensees or their respective grantees, licensees or assigns hereunder, will violate or infringe upon the rights of any Person; and (c) all Basic Works and other Materials supplied to Motown by you or Artist will be free of any liens and encumbrances.
- 13.03 Motown will not be required to make any payments for or in connection with the acquisition, exercise or exploitation of rights pursuant to this Agreement, except as specifically provided herein.
- 13.04 Artist is or will become, and shall remain throughout the Term, a member in good standing of all labor unions or guilds in which membership is required under Motown's agreements with such unions or guilds for the performance of Artist's services hereunder, and all terms provided for in the 2002-2006 SAG-AFTRA Code Article 17, as may be amended from time-to-time, related to Contracts with Artists will be deemed incorporated herein by reference. As between you and Motown, you will be solely responsible for and shall pay any union or guild payments (including "new use" and "conversion" fees and any health and welfare contributions) required in connection with your or Artist's use of Stems or Subject Recordings at Artist's live Performances.
  - 13.05 [Intentionally omitted].
- 13.06 No Controlled Composition is subject to any agreement between you or Artist and any cowriter, publisher or other Person that is in any other way inconsistent with your granting the rights granted herein to such Controlled Composition in its entirety.
- 13.07 You or Artist have all of the rights necessary to use the professional name to be used by Artist hereunder, without any further third party clearances or approval, for the purposes of your and Artist's services hereunder and Motown's exercise of its rights as set forth in this Agreement.

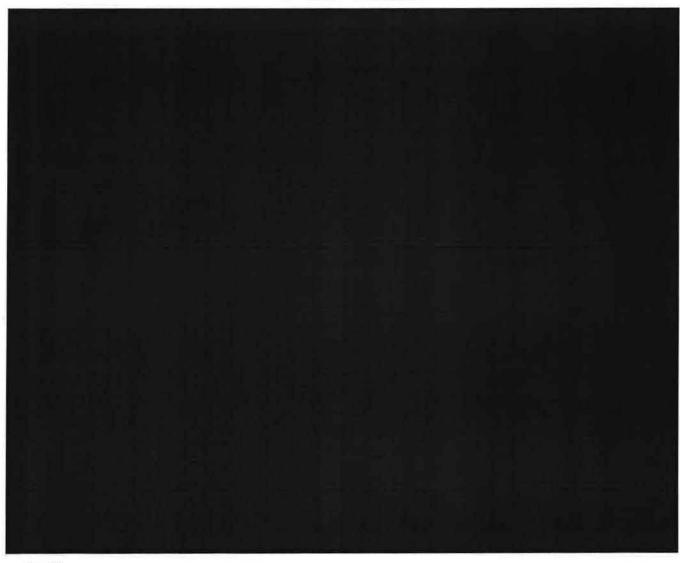
- 13.08 Artist has reached legal age of majority pursuant to the Laws governing this Agreement and its performance hereunder.
- 13.09 Throughout the Term, Artist shall actively perform as a musical entertainer. You and Artist (and each Person acting on behalf of you or Artist) are in compliance with, and throughout the Term shall comply with, all applicable Laws in fulfilling your obligations hereunder and otherwise conducting your professional activities in connection herewith (including compliance with Sections 317 and 508 of the Communications Act of 1934).
- 13.10 You are, and at all times during the Term will be, a corporation in good standing in the jurisdiction of your formation.
- 13.11 Neither Motown's acceptance of any Materials hereunder nor Motown's knowledge of any facts that would constitute a breach of any representation, warranty or covenant of yours hereunder, will affect Motown's indemnification rights or other remedies hereunder even if Motown has provided you with assistance in obtaining mechanical licenses, Artwork acquisitions/clearances, sample clearances, trademark clearances or other clearances.
- 13.12 Neither you nor Artist shall speak, write or otherwise communicate any remark, comment, message, declaration, statement or other communication through any means or media, whether verbal, in writing, electronically transmitted or otherwise, that might reasonably be construed to disclose, incorporate, discuss, include or otherwise involve any confidential or proprietary information of any of the Motown Parties; and neither you nor Artist shall cause, encourage or solicit any Person to do or further or assist any Person in doing any of the foregoing described in this paragraph 13.12.
- 13.13 During the License Period, Artist shall not perform for any Person other than Motown for the purpose of making Records or Recordings embodying (and neither you nor Artist shall permit the use by any Person other than Motown of Artist's name or likeness for or in connection with any such Record or Recording embodying) any Composition recorded or delivered as embodied in a Subject Recording provided that such Subject Recording has been released by Motown hereunder during the Term (each such Composition, a "Recorded Composition").

#### 14. CERTAIN PROVISIONS RELATING TO YOU AND ARTIST

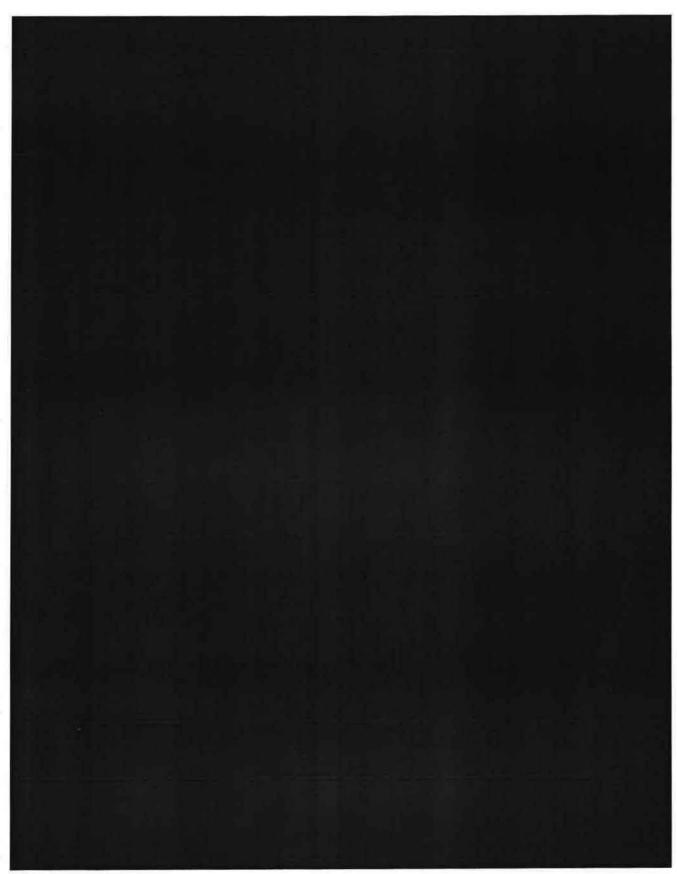
- 14.01 You represent, warrant and covenant that you have, and at all times during the Term, you shall have, the sole and exclusive right to furnish the services of Artist as required herein and to grant the rights set forth herein, including as they relate to Artist and any and all copyright interests in and to the Basic Works. Simultaneously with the execution of this Agreement, you have delivered to Motown, an inducement agreement in the form of **Exhibit A** ("Inducement Agreement"), executed by Artist. You hereby give your consent and approval to the terms of the Inducement Agreement. You and Motown each intend that the rights granted herein include a grant of rights to receive injunctive relief pursuant to the provisions of California Civil Code Section 3423(e) and California Code of Civil Procedure Section 526 (second paragraph 5) concerning the availability of injunctive relief to prevent the breach of a contract in writing for the rendition or furnishing of personal services.
- 14.02 (a) You represent and warrant that as of the end of each of the first seven (7) Contract Years of this Agreement, Artist will have received minimum Compensation at the rate of: Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000) for the first Contract Year, Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) for the second Contract Year and Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for each of the third through seventh Contract Years (each, an "Annual Minimum Payment"). Compensation paid in any Contract Year in excess of the applicable Annual Minimum Payment will apply to reduce the Compensation otherwise required to be paid in any subsequent Contract Year.

- (b) [Intentionally omitted].
- (c) You acknowledge and agree that the provisions of this paragraph 14.02 are intended to preserve Motown's right to seek injunctive relief to prevent a breach of a contract for the rendition or furnishing of personal services. If California law is changed to provide for different or additional provisions as a requisite for injunctive relief than those provisions set forth herein, and such law may apply to this Agreement, then Motown may unilaterally amend this Agreement to comply with such law as of the effective date of such change.
- 14.03 In the event that you fail to fulfill any of your material obligations hereunder then, at any time after the occurrence of any such event, in addition to any other remedies that may be available, Motown may, exercisable by notice to you, terminate the Term or require Artist to render Artist's personal services directly to Motown for the remainder of the Term, including any extension thereof, for the purpose of fulfilling your obligations hereunder, upon all the same terms set forth herein. If Motown exercises its option to require Artist to render Artist's personal services directly to Motown, then Artist will be deemed substituted for you as a party to this Agreement as of the date of such option exercise.

#### 15. FAILURE OF PERFORMANCE; CERTAIN REMEDIES



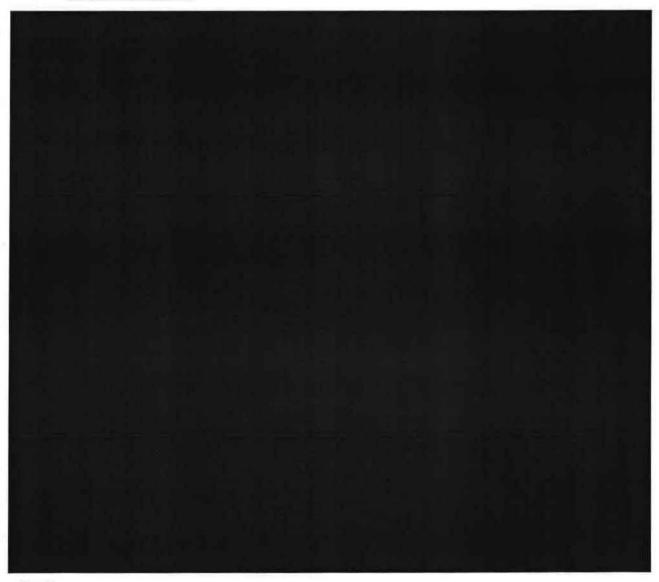
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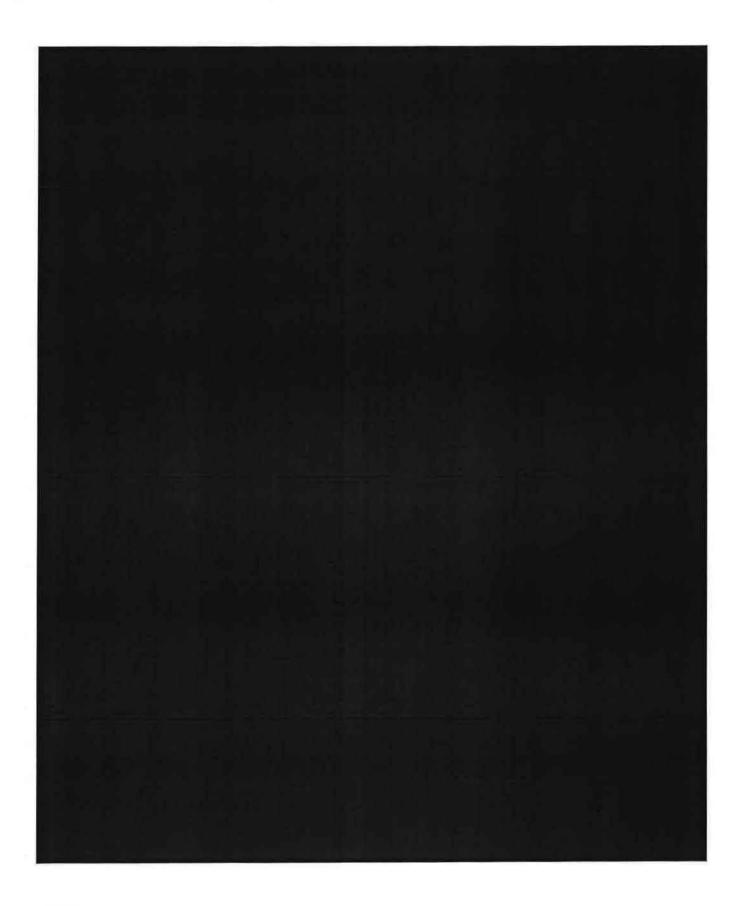
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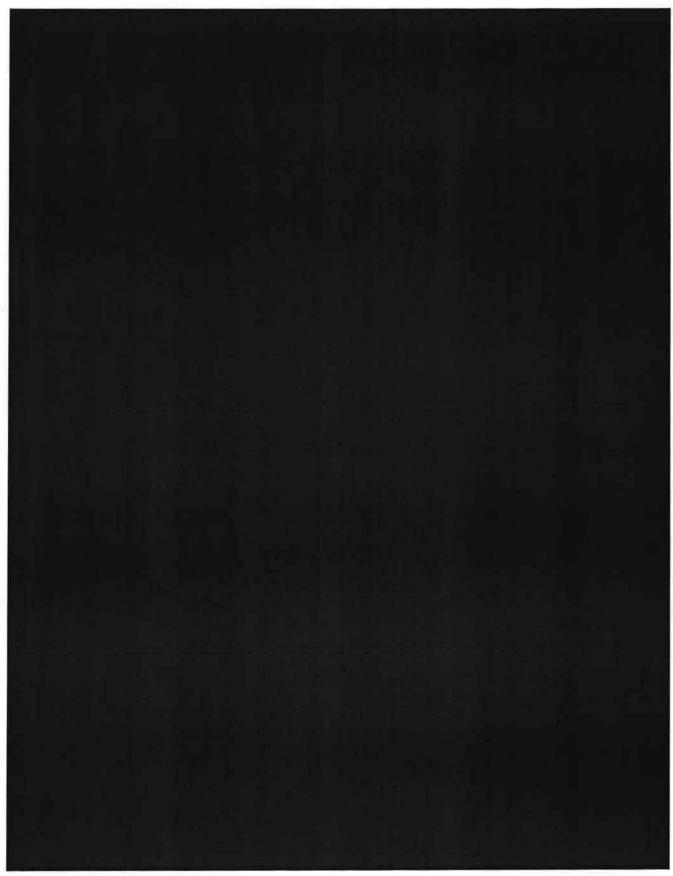
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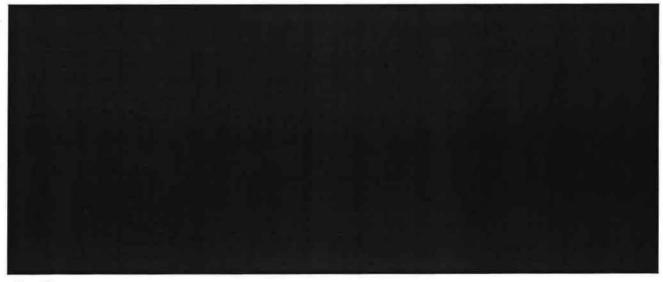
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16.11 You and Artist are entering into this Agreement and are performing your obligations hereunder as independent contractors. Nothing herein contemplates or constitutes you or Artist as Motown's partners, joint venturers, agents or employees. Without limitation of the foregoing, you and Artist have no right to execute any agreement or incur any obligation for which Motown may be liable or otherwise bound. No fiduciary relationship or duty or special relationship of trust and confidence exists between you or Artist, on the one hand, and Motown, on the other hand, and no such relationships or duties will be deemed to be created by this Agreement or the business relations between you or Artist, on the one hand, and Motown, on the other hand.



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16.14 This Agreement may be executed in two (2) or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which together will constitute one and the same agreement. Any signed copy of this Agreement (including an electronic signature), or copies or counterparts thereof, delivered by facsimile or electronic delivery, will for all purposes be treated as if it were delivered containing an original manual signature of the party whose signature appears in the facsimile or electronic mail and will be binding upon such party in the same manner as though an originally signed copy had been delivered.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this Agreement in the spaces provided below.

MOTOWN RECORDS,

a division of UMG Recordings, Inc.

By: Martha Braithwaite
An authorized signatory

LOVE RECORDS, INC.

An authorized signatory

INSOFAR AS IT RELATES TO VIRGIN:

Martha Braithwaite

VIRGIN MUSIC LABEL AND ARTIST SERVICES,

a division of UMG Recordings, Inc.

#### Exhibit A

#### **Inducement Agreement**

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Motown Records, a division of UMG Recordings, Inc. 1750 North Vine Street Hollywood, CA 90028

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned ("Artist") has been advised that concurrently herewith Motown Records, a division of UMG Recordings, Inc. ("Motown") is entering into an agreement with Love Records, Inc. ("Company") pursuant to which Company agrees to furnish Artist's non-exclusive services, among other things, to curate an Album ("Recording Agreement"). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Recording Agreement. This inducement agreement is subject to the rules of interpretation set forth in paragraph 16.13 of the Agreement.

In consideration of Motown's execution of the Recording Agreement and as a further inducement for Motown to do so (it being to Artist's benefit that Motown execute such agreement), Artist hereby agrees as follows:

- 1. Company is, and at all times during the term of the Recording Agreement (as it may be extended or renewed, the "Term") will be, authorized to furnish Artist's recording services to Motown as provided in the Recording Agreement. Artist is familiar with each provision of the Recording Agreement relating to Artist's obligations, assents to the execution thereof, and agrees to be bound by all the restrictions and other provisions therein relating to Artist. Artist acknowledges that Motown will have no obligations to make any payments to Artist in connection with the services rendered by Artist or the fulfillment of Artist's other obligations under the Recording Agreement, except as provided in paragraph 7.05 and 14.03 of the Recording Agreement.
- 2. If, during the Term, Company ceases to be entitled to Artist's services in accordance with the terms of the Artist Agreement, or if Company fails or refuses to furnish Subject Recording recordings embodying Artist's Performances to Motown in accordance with the Recording Agreement, (a) Artist shall, at Motown's request, do all such acts and things so as to give Motown the same rights, privileges, and benefits as Motown would have had under the Recording Agreement if Company had continued to he entitled to Artist's services and if Company had continued to furnish Recordings to Motown; and (b) such rights, privileges, and benefits will be enforceable in Motown's behalf against Artist.
- 3. All of the representations and warranties made by Company in the Recording Agreement that concern Artist are true and correct. All of the terms, conditions and restrictions relating to Artist in the Recording Agreement will be binding upon Artist and regardless of the name(s) by which Artist may be identified in Artist's artistic endeavors. Company's rights, obligations, liabilities, prohibitions and restrictions contained in the Recording Agreement are applicable hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- 4. Artist hereby confirms and joins in the granting to Motown of the rights specified in the Recording Agreement, including all rights in and to the results and proceeds of Artist's services and the right to use and publish Artist's names (legal, group and professional) and likenesses as set forth in the Recording Agreement.

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- 5. Artist agrees and acknowledges that Motown is the exclusive licensee of all copyright and other rights in all Subject Recordings and other Basic Works delivered to Motown and released by Motown or made by Motown pursuant to the Recording Agreement during the Term (including the right to record Motown's exclusive license in the Basic Works with the appropriate Copyright Office or register the copyright in each Subject Recording on your behalf in your name in accordance with the terms of the Recording Agreement), and that Motown may exercise all rights of the copyright owner as provided in the Recording Agreement.
- 6. Intentionally omitted.
- 7. Motown may, in its own name, institute any action or proceeding against Artist to enforce its rights under the Recording Agreement or this agreement. Artist acknowledges that its services under the Recording Agreement are of a special, unique, intellectual and extraordinary character which gives them peculiar value, and that if Company or Artist breaches any term of this agreement or of the Recording Agreement, Motown will be caused irreparable injury which cannot adequately be compensated by money damages, and Motown will be entitled to equitable relief, including injunctive relief, to enforce the provisions of such agreements; provided, however, you can challenge the imposition of equitable relief on grounds other than that your and Artist's services are not of a special, unique, intellectual and extraordinary character.
- 8. Intentionally omitted.
- 9. Artist, for itself and on behalf of any publisher or other Person who has or may have any interest in or to any Controlled Composition, hereby licenses to Motown mechanical reproduction and other rights with respect to each Controlled Composition upon the terms and at the rates applicable to Controlled Compositions licensed to Motown by Company under Article 11 of the Recording Agreement.
- 10. Artist agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Motown harmless from and against any third party liability, loss, damage, cost or expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) paid or incurred by Motown by reason of any breach by Artist of the representations, warranties or covenants contained herein or in the Recording Agreement, and agrees to reimburse Motown on demand for any payment made by Motown after the date hereof with respect to any of the foregoing, all in accordance with the terms set forth in paragraph 15.07 of the Recording Agreement.
- 11. Intentionally omitted.
- 12. This agreement and all matters directly or indirectly arising out of, under or related to this agreement or any related document or instrument are governed by the arbitration, choice of law, jurisdiction and forum

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terms contained in paragraphs 16.09 and 16.10 of the Recording Agreement. Any process in any action, arbitration, suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to this agreement may, among other methods, be served upon Artist by delivering it or mailing it in accordance with paragraph 16.01 of the Recording Agreement. Any such delivery or mail service will have the same force and effect as personal service.

Very truly yours,

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Acknowledged and agreed:

LOVE RECORDS, INC.

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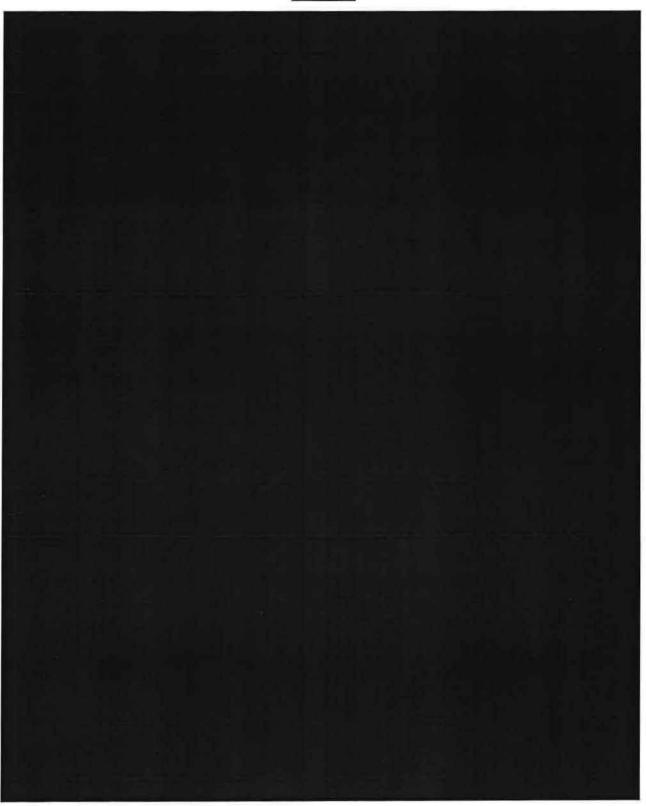
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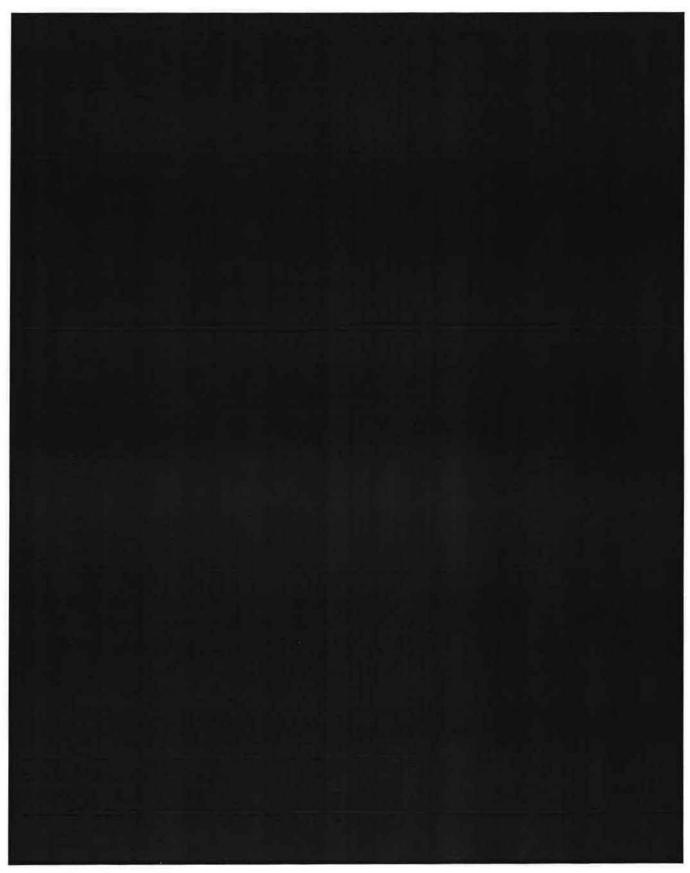
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### **Definitions**



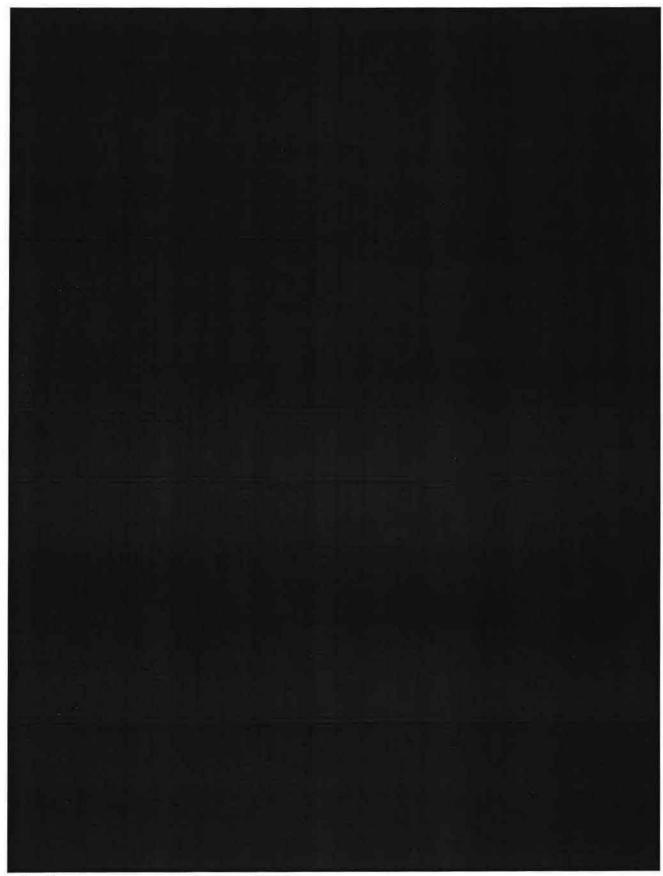
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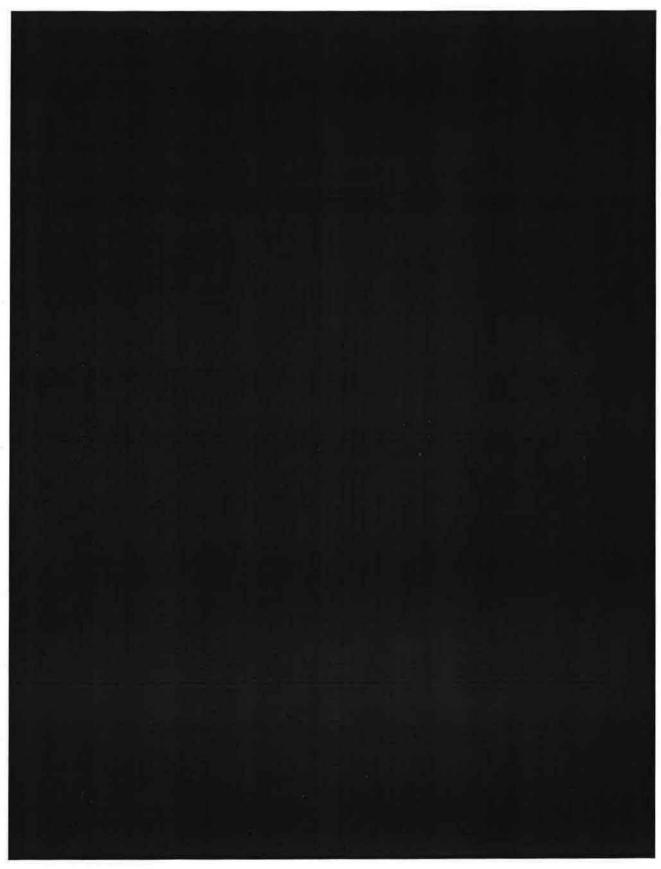
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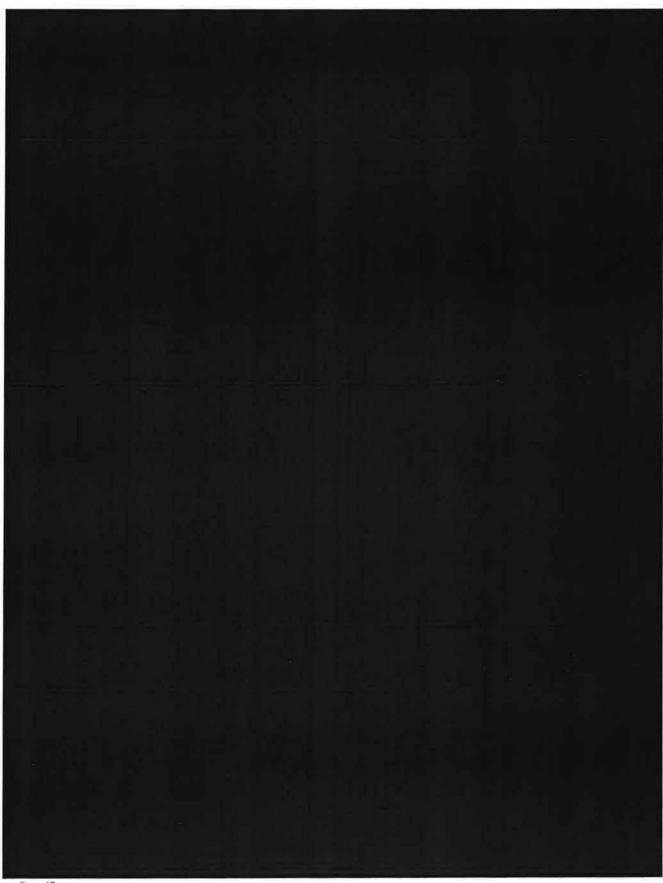
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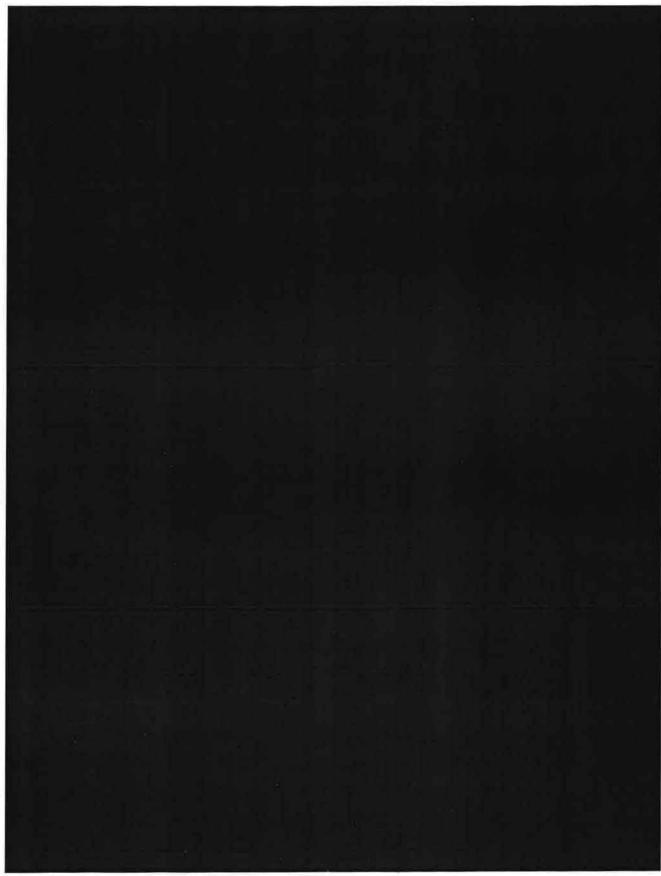
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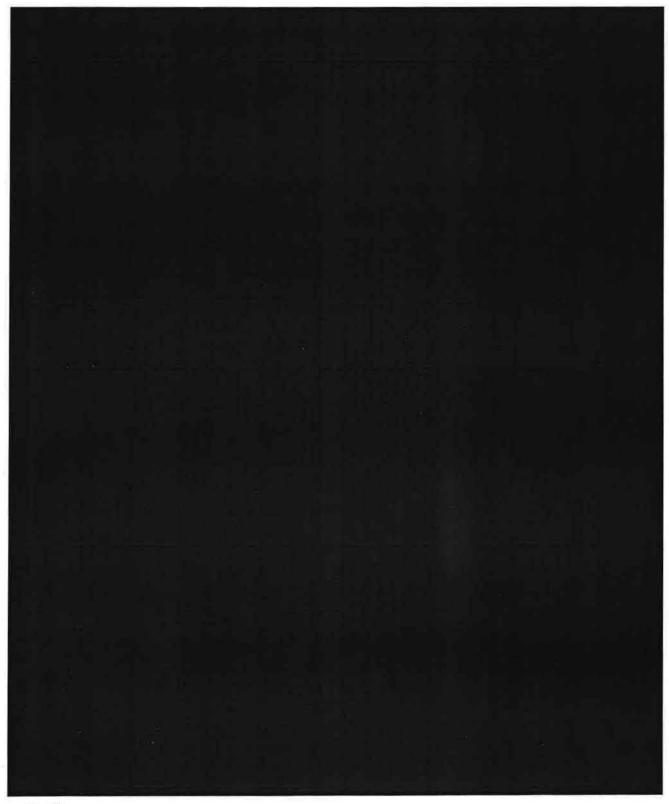
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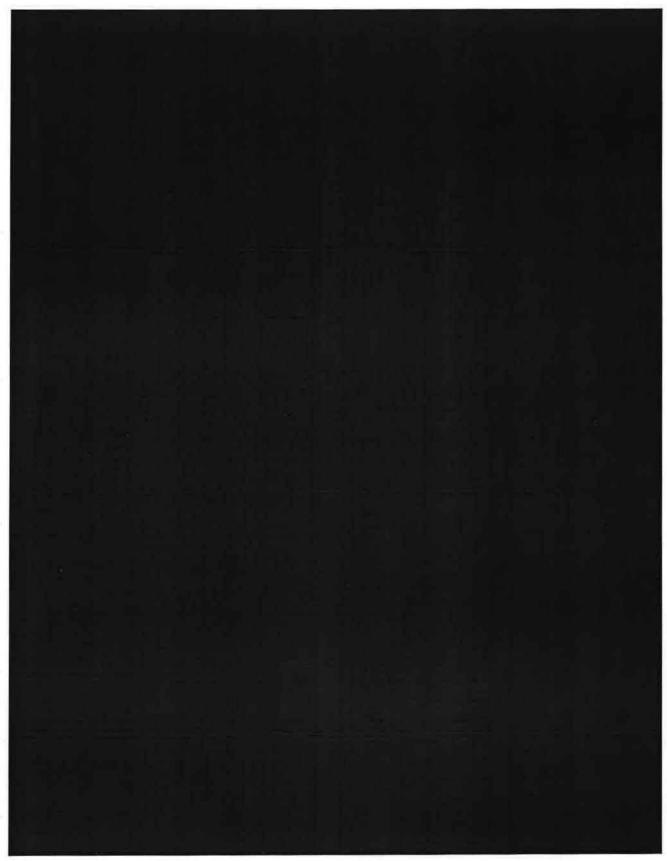
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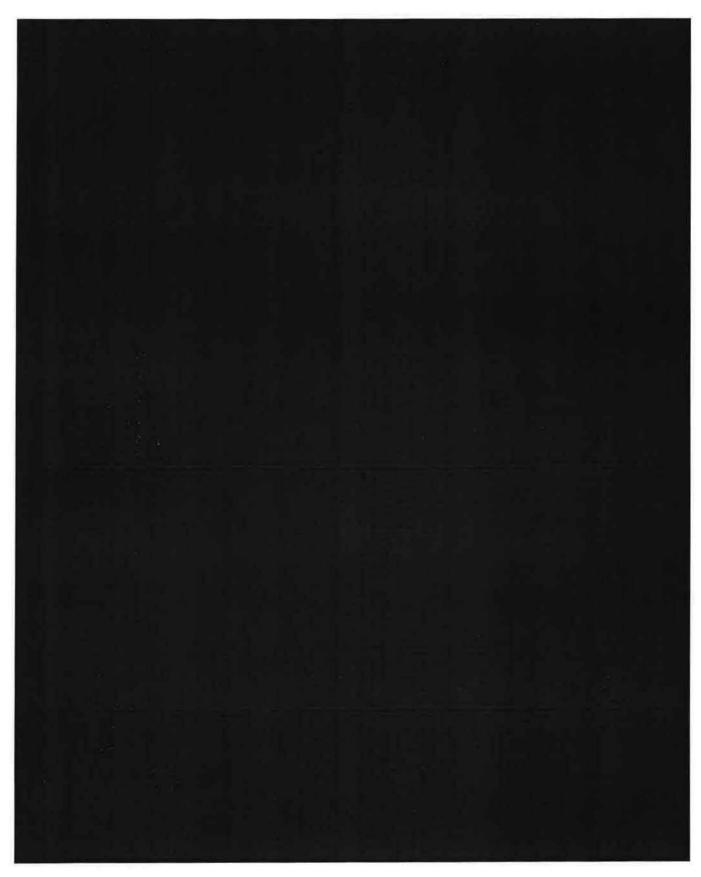
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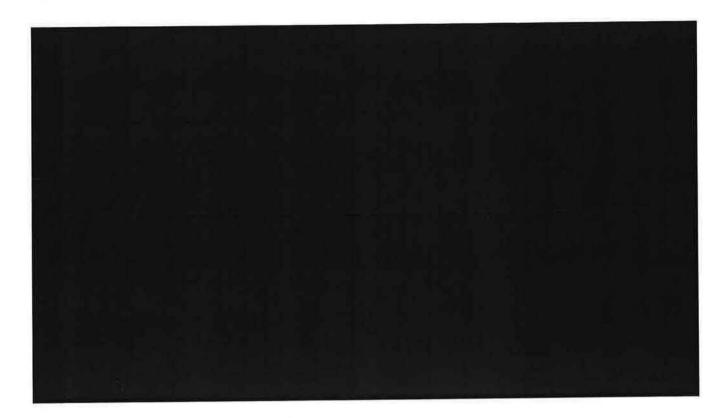
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#### Exhibit C-1

#### SONGWRITER SPLITS



#### PUBLISHING INFORMATION

If you represent more than one writer on the same song, please indicate shares per writer.

Title:	
Timing:	
Artist:	
Preliminary Writers:	

Writer(s)	Publisher(s)	Mech. Share	Performance Society
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If a Sample is include	d, title and artist of Sampled Song:	
Title:		
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Preliminary Writ	ers:	

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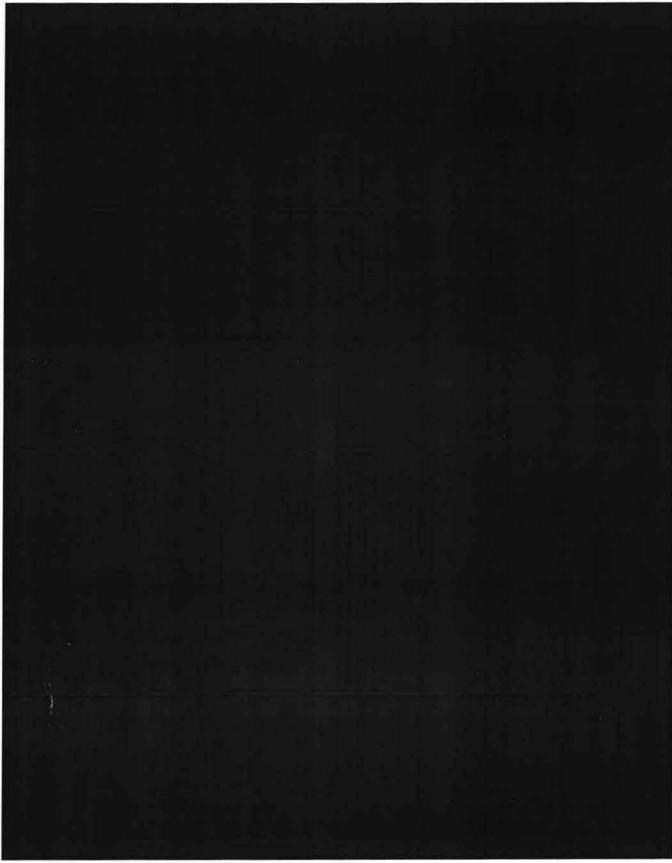
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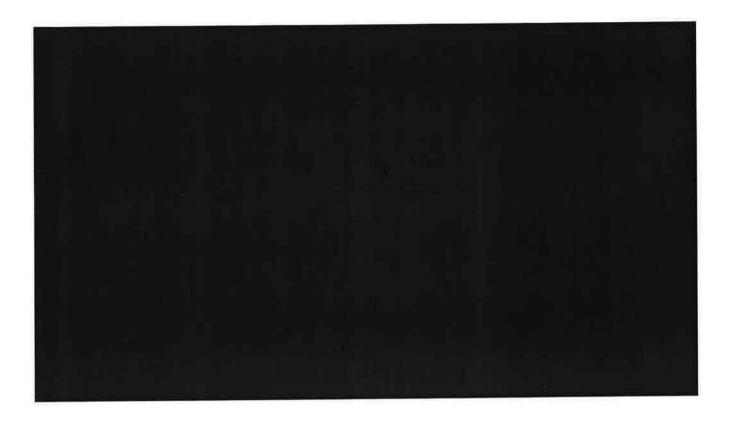
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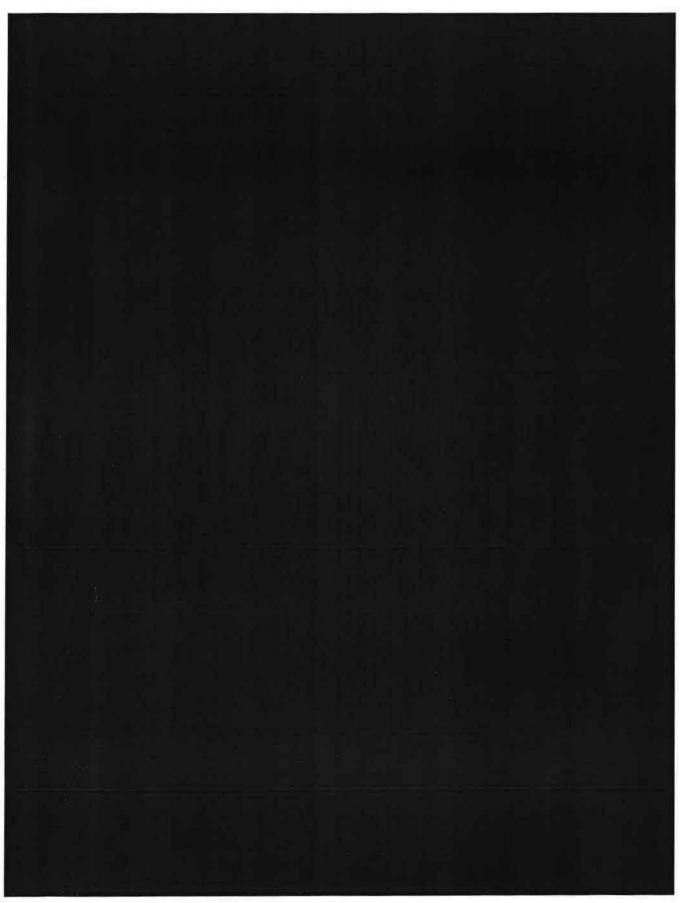
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**List of Musical Compositions** 

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#### FOREIGN ROYALTY TERMS



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